REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5, 7 and 16-24 are presently pending in the application. Claims 4, 6, and 8-

15 have been previously cancelled. Claims 16-19 and 23 have been previously withdrawn.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowance of claims 1-3, 5, and 7 at pages 1 and 4 of the

instant Office Action. At page 2 of the instant Office Action, the Examiner has required an

election among two species, namely claims directed to methods for treating aneurysms (claims

20, 22, and 24), and claims directed to a method for treating bone (claims 21 and 25).

Applicant respectfully traverses the election of species requirement. Applicant believes

that the subject matter of claims 20-22 and 24-25 is interrelated to the extent that a search and

examination of the subject matter of those claims in the same application would not be

overburdensome.

Nevertheless, Applicant elects the claims directed to methods for treating aneurysms

(claims 20, 22, and 24) for prosecution on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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